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## Manitoba and Railways.

Alluding to the progress being made by the Northern Pacific Railway, the Manitoban thinks the line will cross Red River about twelve miles north of Georgetown; and that from that point the steamers International and Manitoba will make semi-weekly trips to Fort Garry; and it is to this our contemporary thinks Governor Archibald referred in his speech in opening the Legislative Council, when he congratulated Parliament on "steam communication within a year, partly by boat and partly by rail, between this province and the rest of the continent." Our Winnipeg contemporary does not, however, appear at all disposed to rest content with any such arrangement. Nothing short of a branch line to Fort Garry, a project which it thinks ought to be encouraged by the Joint High Commission at Washington and by liberal subsidy on the part of Canada. Such an international arrangement, it thinks, would not differ from the extension of the Grand Trunk through Maine to Portland, and with the adoption of such a scheme, it hopes to see the line completed to Fort Garry by mid-summer of 1872. In this our contemporary is not out of harmony with some Canadian statesmen of lesser grasp. In looking over the debates which took place in the Senate upon the resolutions for the admission of British Columbia, we find such men as the Hon. Mr. Littleller de St. Just advocating "that British Columbia as well as Manitoba could comparatively be placed in communication with the Dominion at a very insignificant outlay; first, by the opening of a link between Fort Garry and Pembina where the American Pacific Railway will have an extension in a very short time from this, and secondly, by building a link on the shores of the Pacific from British Columbia to the Northern Pacific Railway, which the Americans are now building; affording to our two sister colonies the advantages of mutual communication, and of partaking of all the advantages of the great railway networks of the United States and of Canada." Now, Mr. Littleller de St. Just, and one or two others who concurred with his views, might have made their "cheap and nasty" scheme still more cheap had they pointed out that a link on the shores of the Pacific from British Columbia to the Northern Pacific Railway is rendered unnecessary from the fact that both Victoria and New Westminster are within a few hours easy steam of where the American line must terminate. But we must entirely agree with the Postmaster General, the Minister of Marine and others who sided with them in the Senate, in disapproving of any such doubtful expedient. We could readily understand Annexationists and fools in tortaining such a scheme; for it would indeed be difficult to hit on one better adapted to the work of Americanizing the Northwest and British Columbia. If Canada does not feel herself adequate to the task of binding together by means of an interoceanic railway all her enormous possessions west of the Great Lakes, she had better at once abandon the idea of empire; for no weaker bond will suffice to hold these possessions together. There must be no paltering here. The exigencies of the case admit of no question—will endure no hesitation or delay. A bold national policy and prompt and decisive action; or complete failure and final abandonment are now the sole alternative. Nay, more, if Canada and the parent empire together cannot, or, what is practically the same thing, will not take advantage of the present flood-tide of westward empire, it will be as well to withdraw the Union-Jack from this continent; and the sooner Canada and Great Britain are thoroughly convinced of this, if haply they are not already convinced, the better will it be for all parties.

## Masonic Speech of Earl De Grey in Washington.

Earl de Grey was brought to his feet a second time by a complimentary allusion to him and to his mission, and to his high position as a Mason. The Earl said: "Most Worshipful Sirs and Brethren: I beg to return to you my most grateful thanks for the kind reception which you have been pleased to give me this evening. I feel proud of this reception, because I know that it has been accorded to me as the representative of the great body of the English Masons [applause], and therefore I may venture to say, accorded to me as a representative of my country. [Great applause.]

The leading principle of our craft is that of fraternity with all brother who belongs to it, whatever race and nation to which he holds allegiance, and therefore it will not be wonderful that America should be willing to greet with a fraternal welcome any foreigner who might come among them. But, sir, I do not feel that here in the United States I ought to call myself a foreigner. [Long-continued applause.]

I am constantly forgetting that I am not at home, and while it is true that our fraternity extends beyond the bonds of nationality, it is no less true upon every Masonic principle that the ties which ought to bind American and English Masons are of a peculiar class and dear character, for, sir, they would greatly err who thought the fraternity of Masonry was an order which made men forget their patriotism.

I believe that all true Masons are inspired by the warmest feelings of patriotism. It was through the brethren of our ancient fraternity in England that the Masons of the United States obtained their first charter and that added one more to the many ties, by which American and English Masons are bound together.

Sir, the remarks which you have made this evening, the speech to which we have

listened, and particularly the remarks which you have made to us in another place, have, in respect to the ties which bind together the two countries left very little for me to say. But I am reminded of an old English election story, which is connected with the name of Burke, who, going out to argue with an opponent, was so eloquent that his opponent refrained to essay a reply further than to exclaim: "I say ditto." [Applause and laughter.]

As it is, sir, I have so little to say on that part of the subject that I say "ditto" to the Most Worshipful Grand Master. Yes, sir, it is true that we have the same history. It is true we belong to the same ancestry and I, therefore, say it is not strange that you should have been pleased to accord to me, as the representative of English Masonry in this country, a warm and cordial reception.

The first Lodge warrants in this country bear the date of England, and that country has not forgotten the mighty and glorious empire which has sprung from her loins. [Applause and cheers.] If I am permitted and if I have rightly interpreted the meaning of the kindness which you have shown to me to-day, I shall carry with me the recollections of the deepest gratitude. I shall take back with me to my own Grand Lodge the account of the occurrences here to-night, and I am confident when I relate them they will be received with but one feeling in that distant Masonic assembly—a feeling of an earnest desire that we might see more and know more in England and in English Masonic circles of this country and of the Masonic Order of the United States. And I am tempted to take back with me across the Atlantic another recollection not purely Masonic—to take back with me the recollection and to mention it where I know it will be received with great pleasure, of the manner in which was received the toast given to my illustrious sovereign. And another pleasant recollection will be the thought of having sat at the right hand of one who wore the scarf of Washington and that a gavel of the first President of the United States was used on the occasion [applause].

I can truly say the memory of this day will not easily fade from my mind. I believe that it is of the highest interest for the civilization of the world that there should be the closest and most intimate union between the two Governments. [Applause long continued.] If it should be the good fortune of my life to contribute to that result I shall be happy. [Greeted with applause as he took his seat and there was music by the band.]

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May 6—Star California, HAYES, Portland

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### Supreme Court.

(Before Chief Justice Begbie.)

The Queen Charlotte Coal Mining Company, [limited] in liquidation vs Bunker and Story Trustees of Mrs Hounslow.

This was an application on behalf of the Trustees, Bunker and Story, to have their names taken off the list of contributors, they being simply Trustees and having no beneficial interest in the matter.

The Attorney General instructed by Mr Bish, op appeared for the applicants; Mr Johnson for Mrs Hounslow, and Mr Drake for the liquidators.

After an argument lasting the whole day His Lordship held that the parties, although only Trustees, were liable for a certain amount contracted previous to March, 1879, if the shareholders did not pay up—but they would not be liable for debts contracted subsequent to March, 1870. His Lordship also stated that he was sorry to come to such a decision, as they personally ought not to have been on the list at all; but he was bound to follow the law.

INTERESTING TO THE LADIES.—Paris has long been leader of the fashions and France the emporium of fashion's fabrics. The functions of both, in this respect, have been greatly paralysed by the late terrible war, and the revolution which followed continues to interrupt the reactivation of these functions. The consequence is that all French manufacturers, especially silk goods, have experienced a very decided upward tendency and are still rising. It is, however, a fortunate circumstance for this community that Messrs J P Tunstall & Co, of London, happened to make a very large purchase just in time to escape the great rise. These goods are from the celebrated factory of the best makers in France (O J Bochet & Cie, of Lyons) and the ladies of Victoria will be pleased to know that a very rich assortment from that large purchase was received at the London House by the last steamer, and that the patrons of J H Turner & Co are to get the full benefit of the favorable circumstances under which these goods were bought.

THE ATTORNEY GENERALSHIP.—Lest the stupidity of a certain moribund journal published in this city should mislead the very small portion of the Victoria public that still take it in, we will again state for its information that the (acting) appointment of Mr Alston is merely temporary. Mr Phillips goes to England on leave of absence; but has no intention of returning to the Colony, for the very excellent reason that a Responsible Ministry will be formed on the 1st of July next, when, of course, Mr Alston's appointment will cease. The leave of absence signifies that Mr Phillips has not yet received his commission as Judge of British Guiana. A similar course was adopted when Chief Justice Needham was called to Trinidad. He left the colony on leave of absence, and did not tender his resignation until he had received his commission as Chief Justice of Trinidad which was placed in his hands at San Francisco.

BIRDS OF A FEATHER &c.—The Toronto Globe, from being a strong advocate of the early extension of Confederation to the Pacific, and of a transcontinental railway as an essential part of that scheme, has turned to championing the opposition to both. It is not surprising, under these circumstances, that our local contemporary should have gravitated towards the Globe and taken to appropriating from its columns 'Opinions of the Press'—said 'opinions' consisting of extracts from obscure little country papers, mere satellites which revolve around the Globe, as a matter of course oppose the terms because the Globe opposes them. In common fairness, it is on no other ground, why does not our contemporary give extracts from some of the leading newspapers of Canada, such, for instance, as the Spectator, the Leader, the Telegraph, the Times, the Gazette, the Citizen—papers which are the organs of public opinion and every one of which has supported the Government scheme.

NEW WESTMINSTER ITEMS.—The Guardian very properly calls upon the people to register for the election.....A public meeting was held at the Hyack Hall on Thursday to make preliminary arrangements for celebrating the Queen's Birthday. The meeting appointed a committee of 61 gentlemen, with power [?] to add to their number, to manage the celebration. It was resolved that the Government be asked for the customary grant to assist in carrying on the Indian sports and games. The Governor is to be invited to be present at the celebration.....The McGinley Troupe were giving their entertainments to large and enthusiastic audiences.....The Rev Mr Derrick lectured at the Mechanics' Institute, Burrard Inlet, on Friday evening, and was announced to preach in St Mary's Wesleyan Church today.....The McGinley Troupe were to give a performance last evening for the benefit of the Hospital.

FROM NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer W Enterprise, Capt Swanson, arrived yesterday afternoon bringing 18 passengers, Barnard's Cariboo Express with \$35,000 in treasure and a mail. Following is the passenger list: Miss M Irving, Mrs Reaco, Captain Stamp, Messrs D Oppenheimer, G Oppenheimer, J M Wark, W H Newton, J Reaco, F Mitchell, J M Bonham, J P Tunstall, Hall, George, Pettingill, Layton, Crosley.

THE PANORAMA.—Mr Barker is engaged in boxing his fine panorama preparatory to shipping it to the Pacific for California, where it will be first exhibited. It is a pity that a local work of art by a local artist should be allowed to leave the city without the citizens of the place being allowed an opportunity of seeing it.

### After Hudibras.

Who to a pledge has put his hand,  
And by the same will fall or stand;  
When sanguine expectations fail,  
May one day find himself in jail.  
But who his solemn word has passed,  
On after thought, a little fast;  
In time explains the thing away,  
When others fail may live to pay.

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MANITOBA JUDICIARY.—By a bill to establish a Supreme Court in Manitoba, one judge only, under the title of Chief Justice, is to be appointed, having summary jurisdiction in cases from \$25 to \$100, actions involving a larger amount being tried by a jury of twelve, nine of whom must agree in the verdict. The form of procedure provided by the Bill is of a very simple description, and adapted to secure a speedy disposal of causes. The measure provides for other legal machinery besides that of the Supreme Court, including the appointments of Sheriffs, the establishment of Courts of Petty Sessions and Magistrates' Courts, the latter having only civil jurisdiction up to \$25.

VALLEY OF THE SASKATCHEWAN.—Lieutenant Butler, of the 69th Regt., who has for some months been engaged in exploring the Valley of the Saskatchewan and the Northwest Territory, is now in Ottawa. He gives a most favorable account of the country and its capabilities, which is the more gratifying from the fact that it is, without doubt, thoroughly reliable and is not the result of a mere hasty, superficial glance, but of a careful investigation. He speaks of the Valley of the Saskatchewan as the garden of this continent.

CARIBOO.—The Sentinel makes very bitter complaint because the Government has withheld the \$500 recommended to be paid to the Fire Department by the Legislative Council.....There is not much mining news beyond what has already appeared in our telegraphic columns.....The Church Institute entertainment passed off well....The weather continued cold and backward....A fire broke out in a cabin in Stout Gulch. The cabin belonged to Mr Jones and was totally destroyed.

Dominion Statistics.—The population of the entire country, including British Columbia, is estimated at 4,707,751. The total trade of the Dominion, in 1870, was \$148,327,820, of the four Provinces in 1851, \$53,534,485. The total amount of canal tolls received last year, omitting cents, \$534,830. This is in excess of former years. The total cost of the canals of Canada, up to June 30th, 1867, was \$22,625,197.

BRISK AT NANAIMO.—Capt McCullough informs us that on Friday there were at Nanaimo the following vessels: Steamship Pacific and California, bark Shooting Star, schooner W H Meyer, and steamers Emma and Isabel, and the schooner W Harrison from San Francisco coming in.

THE PACIFIC.—This steamship seems to have lost her forefoot and to have sustained other damage of a not very serious character. She has gone on the beach at Nanaimo for temporary repairs and, if supposed, will get off for San Francisco on or about Wednesday next.

OMINECA.—A gentleman from Quesnelmouth states that a letter had been received from J Hawkins of Germans Creek by Mr Gillies. The writer says that he has found good diggings in the bank on the upper part of Germans Creek and has sold his lower claim for \$500.

TREASURE SHIPMENT.—Following is the amount of treasure shipped per steamer California yesterday by Wells, Fargo & Co.: Bank of British Columbia, \$36,908.33; Bank of British North America, \$22,649.44; Wells, Fargo & Co, \$16,808.00. Total, \$76,363.77.

THE RACES.—We would urge on all who wish to make the races on the 24th a grand success the importance and necessity of once placing the amount of their subscriptions in the hands of the committee.

PASSENGERS.—The following passengers were booked by the California last evening: Wm Thompson; Guthrie and wife, L S Moore, Mrs E S Dyer, Mrs Swiggert and 2 children, John L Butler, John Vogel.

CHINESE COLLIER.—The 62 Chinese brought up by the Shooting Star are at work outside the pit at Nacaimo. Their presence, though naturally distasteful to the white miners, has not caused any ill feeling.

EAST COAST.—The steamer Sir James Douglas arrived from Nanaimo and Comox last evening at 5:40, bringing 20 passengers and a quantity of freight. Among the passengers were Miss Skinner, Miss Lindsay and Messrs Davies, Burnaby, Bromley and Dunsmit.

THE ORPHANS.—A movement is on foot for an amateur concert to be followed by a soiree dansante, in aid of the orphans of the Sisters of St Ann. A deserving object truly.

THE CALIFORNIA.—This propeller, with 300 tons of Nanaimo coal aboard, arrived yesterday morning at 5 o'clock, and will sail at daylight this morning for Portland.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.—The schooner W Meyer with 7 passengers, and the schooner W Harrison with 13 passengers, have arrived at the Newcastle quarry.

NEW TRAIL.—It is rumored that Harper Bros have secured a charter for a trail from Quesnelmouth, following the line of the old telegraph trail part of the way.

HO, FOR MANITOBA!—The Canadian exchanges received by last mail notice an emigration to the North-West setting in. One party of eleven had started from Seaford, Ontario.

COWICHAN.—It is said Mr Morley will not be a candidate for the Legislature from this district; but that Mr Arch. Dois will.

Up!—The Merchants' Line has put the fine American bark Moneynick on the berth for Victoria to sail on the 20th inst.

Down!—The schooners Clara Light and Staghound from San Francisco.

THE GRAPPLER will go to Skeena again next week.

MILLINERY.—By last steamer a first-class milliner arrived from Europe for the London House.

### Are We Taken In and Done for?

EDITOR COLONIST.—I have read with a feeling of amazement and alarm the declaration of Mr Trutch that British Columbia will not enforce the fulfilment of the Terms of Union.

Whatever Mr Trutch and his Co-Delegates may have understood with respect to the ten years' guarantee of the Railway, the people of this Colony were assured that the entire agreement would be fulfilled to the letter.

Any deviation from those Terms would be a shameful breach of faith and deliberate swindle.

Whether the bargain be a hard or a soft one, does not matter now. Canada has agreed to do thus and so and Canada will be held to that agreement by the people of British Columbia at the peril of secession.

Mr Trutch is absent from the Colony, but Dr Holmekin and Dr Carroll are in the city. Perhaps, if called on, they would enlighten the public as to any secret understanding they may have had with the Canadian Cabinet. If they have been party to the huge swindle such as this union would now appear to be, their memories will be deservedly execrated by the people of

fighting occurred in the trenches. Some prisoners were taken.

The Communist communications between d'Isy and Vanvres have been destroyed.

Government works are progressing.

Jules Favre and Querier, Minister of Finance, have started to meet Bismarck at

Frankfort.

German authorities have telegraphed that if the Versaillists do not enter Paris on Monday the Prussians will on Tuesday.

Favre hopes to gain an extension of time, but is not likely to succeed. Probably the Prussians will bring back the Empire if they enter.

Favre and Simon are likely to resign shortly.

FRANKFORT, May 6—Bismarck, Favre, Buerer and Querier are here. The former received an ovation.

Firing to-day will begin from Montreuil.

It is believed the grand attack on Paris will be made Sunday night. The troops are in full condition.

The sitting of the Commune yesterday was a stormy one.

The chief of staff of the flotilla had been arrested.

VERSAILLES, May 6—There was a sharp engagement in the trenches of d'Isy and Vanvres to-day. The Versaillists carried a small barricade.

### Eastern States.

NEW YORK, May 6—The Tribune says that Senator Osborne has received information by several private letters from Florida that Mr Mahony, Republican member of the Lower House of the Florida Legislature was killed in Lake City on April 26th. Reports are that a quarrel was provoked to secure an apology for killing him.

WASHINGTON, May 6—Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Richardson will sail for Europe about June 15th to aid in negotiating the new loan there, and will be accompanied by John P Bigelow, Chief of the Loan Division of the Treasury Department, and three clerks from the Secretary's office, who will be expected to aid in protecting the U.S. government in detecting counterfeit bonds at the time of exchange.

### The Terms in the Senate.

The debate which took place in the Canadian Senate, upon the Terms of Union appears to have quite equalled, in point of ability, that of the Commons. Amongst the many speeches, that delivered by the Hon Peter Mitchell probably stands first. It marks the Minister of Marine as a statesman of comprehensive views and rare ability. The speech, as reported in the Ottawa papers, would fill about a page of this journal, so that even a summary of it would be too great a tax upon our limited space; but a short extract or two may not be out of place. Having graphically stated the rise and progress of the grand scheme of Confederation, he said:

"We are now asked to accept as a member of our Confederacy the fine Province of British Columbia, one greater in territorial extent than the extensive Province of Quebec and twice as large as the fine Province of Ontario, and which, if accepted by Parliament, as I feel assured it will be, will extend Canada from her present western limits at the base of the Rocky Mountains to the shores of the Pacific; and yet we find some of the honorable gentlemen opposite uttering predictions in relation to this measure which bear a strong resemblance to those to which I have referred as having been made in reference to confederation and the North West acquisition and which I trust and believe will prove as unfounded. British America will thus have become practically united from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It is true that the Islands of Prince Edward and Newfoundland still stand aloof; but their union with us is only a question of time, and however desirable it may be to bring them in, it is much less to us an object of financial interest than one of national pride; and when they any longer allow it to have a foothold in their country." The belief expressed here by high officials is that news may soon be expected from China which will cause some action on the part of the administration on the question of the further continuance of diplomatic relations with that country.

NEW YORK, May 5—A Washington special to the Post says that a Chinese tract, which is translated into English, has been received here. It abounds in the most horrible misrepresentation of the Christian religion, and draws a fearful picture for the Chinese race if they any longer allow it to have a foothold in their country. The belief expressed here by high officials is that news may soon be expected from China which will cause some action on the part of the administration on the question of the further continuance of diplomatic relations with that country.

NEW HAVEN, May 5—The Legislative Committee in investigating the vote of the 4th Ward in this city found one hundred votes less for Jewell than the official returns had given him.

HARTFORD, May 6—Since the development about the ballot box in the South Ward of New Haven, the republicans express belief that the box has been tampered with since the election. The box was locked with a common key and not sealed. Full investigation will be made.

### California

SAN FRANCISCO, May 5—The bark Washington, another of the larger vessels of the fishing fleet, sailed for the Northwest coast fisheries to-day.

The weather is cloudy and cold, but there is no rain.

Active politicians, who are in a position to be well informed as to what is going on inside give the unqualified opinion that Henry H Haight will certainly be renominated for Governor by the Democrats, and that Newton Booth will receive the Republican nomination.

Reports from the least promising grain districts of the State, received this week, indicate a decidedly improved feeling among the farmers, and the prospect is said to be good. Part of the crops in some localities, where it was thought two weeks ago that not even a crop could be made, are now showing signs of life. The weather is cool and dry, and the soil is in good condition.

Now I beg to remove an impression that seems to have taken possession of the minds of some honorable gentlemen that the proposed Railway is built in the interest of British Columbia alone, or that it is to be viewed as the price of her admission. This is not strictly the fact, and it is unfair to that Province and to this important measure so to consider it.

It was clearly understood when the North Western Territory was acquired that without Railway connection between Canada and that country, its acquisition would be a burden, while with such connection, that vast and fertile region would become a point of attraction to emigration from Europe to the West. Now it is estimated that the length of the proposed railway from the shores of the Pacific to connect with the Canadian system of railways will be about 2,500 of which are 1,900 miles in Canada and 600 miles in British Columbia; and it is, therefore, unfair to charge upon the latter Province that it alone is the cause of its construction throughout its entire length as in any case we would have had to connect ourselves by railway with the North West; 'tis true this might have been a work of greater time, and its ultimate completion might have been more or less remote; but yet as a national necessity, it had to be done, and without it that country would shortly have drifted away from us into the great Republic upon our borders; and we should therefore not ascribe to the Pacific Province alone the responsibility of imposing upon us the construction of the railway. The acquisition of the North West created the national necessity, and the admission of British Columbia merely engages us to hasten its completion.

I will now speak of the cost of the road, and for the purpose of illustration will divide it into three sections; and of this I may say that until more accurate explorations and surveys are made my estimate which is given must be a mere approximate one. The Government, however, have not gone into this matter without the best information that could be obtained, and they have the assurance from an Engineer of standing, which gentleman is very conversant with British Columbia and is now within its borders, and who himself has made an exploration of a line of railway across our North West possessions at the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific through the Province, that the road is quite practicable and that even with the high price of labor which prevails in that country the 600 miles of it through British Columbia can be built for \$60,000 per mile, which would give the cost of that portion at \$36,000,000. That gentleman further states that 213 miles of the land through which it passes is of good quality and fit for settle-

ment, and a considerable portion of it far above the average of settlement lands in Canada.

The second division, commencing near the sources of the Saskatchewan and extending through the Red River country a distance of 1,500 miles is largely composed of prairie lands, and though an iron, gentleman has stated the cost of railways on prairie lands, at \$20,000 per mile, I have placed the 1,500 miles of that section at \$30,000, or a total of \$45,000,000. Then I estimate the most easterly 400 miles, computing the whole distance at 2,500 miles, at \$60,000 per mile or \$24,000,000, making in all a total cost of \$105,000,000. \* \* \* \* \*

But how, gentlemen say we cannot construct the work in ten years. If we can get the means to construct the line at all, we can do it in ten years, and if it is to be done, then it will be done quickly and give the present generation the benefit of its use. The Central Pacific road, which was constructed through a much more difficult country, was built in three years, and I can see no reason why ours should not be built in ten. But if we assume that from any unforeseen cause we should fail in having it completed within that time, but that we in good faith commenced and progressed with the work as rapidly as it was possible to do, it does any one believe that any difficulty would arise from such a course or British Columbia could find fault? I certainly do not, and while some honorable gentlemen have taken exception to it as written in the Bond, and that the resolutions should be rejected and be again remitted back for the consideration of British Columbia, I think such a course is fraught with danger. The Parliament

